



To: Indiana State Board of Education
From: State Board of Education Staff
Date: December 30, 2014
RE: Year 4 Schools and School Quality Reviews

Year 4 Schools and Ind. Code 20-31-9-3; School Quality Reviews and 511 IAC 6.2-8-2

Background

For those schools remaining in the lowest category or placement four years, the Board is required to establish and assign an expert team to the school for the purpose of assisting in revising the school's plan and recommending changes that will promote improvement.

The expert team must include representatives from the community or region the school serves. Additionally, the team may include school superintendents, members of governing bodies, teachers from school corporations that are in high categories or designations, and special consultants or advisers.

The Board shall determine the scope of the review and direct the Department to conduct the review. Schools in need of a review this year are noted below.

- Beveridge Elementary School (Gary Community School Corporation)
- Joseph Block Middle School (School City of East Chicago)
- Joyce Kilmer Elementary School 69 (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- George H Fisher School 93 (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- Francis Scott Key School 103 (Indianapolis Public Schools)
- Lodge Community School (Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation)

Recommendation and Timeline

The Department and Board staff jointly recommend developing an MOU between the Department and SBOE that outlines the roles and responsibilities of DOE and Board staff, the role of partner organizations (e.g. AdvancEd and Mass Insight) that are currently working with the schools, the timeline of the work, and the deliverables that will be produced for the Board and each school.